far reaching discussions on Indo-China relation including the Prime Minister's visit to China;

(b) if so, what are the details of the discussions and conclusions reached between Indian official delegation and the Chinese leaders;

(c) whether the question of border dispute between India and China had come up during the discussions; and

(d) if so, what are the details and the outcome thereof?

THE MINISTER OF EXTERNAL AFFAIRS (SHRI P. V. NARASIMHA RAO): (a) to (d) The delegation visited China essentially to prepare for the Prime Minister's visit. It thus discussed arrangements for the visit and subjects of mutual interest amongst which, of course, figured the border issue. Details are still to be finalised.

Damage caused to rail tracks due to floods in Punjab

*20. SHRI HARVENDRA SINGH HANSPAL: Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that due to recent floods in Punjab most of the railway tracks have been badly damaged and washed away;

(b) whether most of the trains going to/passing through Punjab have been cancelled; and

(c) if so, what progress has been made by the Railways to set the tracks in order?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF RAILWAYS (SHRI MADHAVRAO SCINDIA): (a) Yes, Sir. Track and bridges on several sections of railway in Punjab were very severely damaged/washed away by recent floods, which were of unprecedented magnitude.

(b) The trains passing through the affected sections had to be cancelled, either totally or partially, till such time the lines were restored.

(c) Restoration work was organised on a war-footing round the clock deploying 32 officers, 48 supervisors and about 2000 labour as well as a variety of mechanised equipment. The highest priority was given to the main line sections, Jalandhar-Pathankot-Jammu Tawi and Jalandhar-Amritsar which were restored on 9th and 11th October, 1988 respectively well ahead of the target. Another 11 branch line sections which too were affected, have also been restored, with the exception of 2 sections viz. Amritsar-Dera Baba Nanak and Jalandhar city-Firozepur where work is in progress. These are expected to be restored by 2nd November and 15th November, respectively.

Setting up of container corporation

1. SHRI JAGADISH JANI: Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government have a proposal to set up a contained Corporation;

(b) if so, what would be its main objectives;

(c) by when the said corporation is proposed to be set up; and

(d) what are the steps taken by Govt. in this regard?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF RAILWAYS (SHRI MADHAVRAO SCINDIA): (a) to (d) Container Corporation of India Ltd., has been set up on 10-3-1988 as a public sector undertaking under the Ministry of Rail-

ways, with the objective of carrying on the business of multi-model transport through containerisation, setting up Inland Container Depots (ICDs) and Container Freight Stations (CFSs), providing warehousing facilities for facilitating import and export cargo.

Eve teasting in D.T.C. Buses

2. SHRI JAGADISH JANI: Will the Minister of SURFACE TRANSPORT be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that the cases of eve teasing in the D.T.C. buses are on the increase in Delhi;

(b) if so, what is the number of such incidents which took place this year, so far; and

(c) what action has been taken by Govt. against the D.T.C. employees who were found responsible for eve teasing and molestation?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF SURFACE TRANSPORT (SHRI RAJESH PILOT): (a) and (b) No comparative data in respect of incidents exclusively of eve-teasing is maintained. However, during this year, so far, there have been eight such cases reported.

(c) Out of eight in two cases the complaints have not disclosed their identity with the result that inquiries could not be initiated and any action taken. In one case, the complaint has not either in writing or orally given the required details. The bus-crew found responsible for incidents of this nature in other three cases have been placed under suspension and proceedings started. In other two cases, the bus crew showed exemplary courage in apprehending the eve teasers.

Financial assistance to West Bengal for Development of Tourist Centres

3. SHRI ASHIS SEN:

SHRI MOSTAFA BIN QUASEM:

Will the Minister of CIVIL AVIATION AND TOURISM be pleased to state:

(a) the number of proposals/schemes received by the Central Government from West Bengal for financial assistance during 1988-89 and the details thereof;

(b) the total amount released by Government to West Bengal during the last three years for development of various tourist spots in that State; and

(c) the scheme-wise and year-wise allocation of the amount?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF CIVIL AVIATION AND TOURISM (SHRI SHIVARAJ PATIL): (a) Six proposals were received from the Govt. of West Bengal for Central Financial Assistance during 1988-89 of which the following are the details:

(Rs. in Lakhs)

		Estimated Cost
1.	Tourist Centre at Mukutmanipur	25.51
2.	Jett -cum-Pantoon Bridge and Allied Shore facilities at the River Bank at Calcutta	20.29
3.	Wayside facilities at Mecheda	41.00
4.	Tourist Lodge at Cooch Behar	52.03
5.	Tourist Lodge at Falta	66.70
6.	Tourist Complex at Sagar Island	76.78

(b) Total amount released to the Govt. of West Bengal during the first three years of the VII Plan is Rs. 89.37 lakhs